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LEBANON TOLD: IF IT WON'T GET RID OF TERRORISTS, WE WILL

By a Special Correspondent
VIENNA — Israel's border with Lebanon, once the friendliest, has turned into "the worst," from where Arab terrorists bombard settlements housing Jewish emigrants from Russia, Israel Premier Golda Meir said yesterday. Mrs. Meir said that "peace is not yet on the horizon" in the Middle East. She made the remarks in one of the keynote speeches at the 12th congress of the Socialist International, receiving a standing ovation on her way to the podium. Mrs. Meir spoke for 40 minutes. Mrs. Meir said the Lebanese border with Israel "was the friendliest up to last year." But when Syria refused to shelter the Fatah, she said, "they went to Lebanon and now it is the worst border. The border is under the administration of the Fatah."

Terrorists will halt operations for the moment But insist on keeping bases

BEIRUT. — The leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organization's executive committee decided yesterday to suspend terrorist activities in south Lebanon for the moment, but insisted they be allowed to maintain bases across the border from Israel, sources close to the committee said. A statement issued at the end of two days of emergency meetings by the committee, on which most terrorist groups are represented, said it was willing to "discuss all problems with the Lebanese Government within the framework of safeguarding the revolution's existence and security."



Sitting at a Socialist International meeting in Vienna yesterday are (left to right) Bruno Pitterman, President of Austria; Golda Meir; Harold Wilson of Britain; Hans Jannitschek, Secretary-General of Socialist International; Pietro Nenni of Italy; Premier Truøve Braatøll of Norway.

Europe and the Middle East

AUSTRIA'S Chancellor, Dr. Bruno Kreisky, has suggested the meeting of the Socialist International now taking place in Vienna, that the Arab-Israeli conflict should be discussed at the proposed European Security Conference. Predictably, Prime Minister Golda Meir did not see such a discussion resulting in anything useful, preferring direct negotiations between Israel and the Arab states. Unlike last year's Socialist International meeting in Helsinki, at which Mrs. Meir was subjected to strong criticism by a number of European leaders, the present conference has so far refrained from passing judgment on Israel's policy. It can be expected that if the Middle East crisis is mentioned in the final resolutions, their language will be similar to last year's formulation, which supported direct talks leading to the implementation of Security Council resolution 242.

That Israel has no interest in the Middle East being raised at a European security conference should be obvious. The forthcoming conference is sponsored mainly by the Soviet Union and its Eastern European allies. In Western Europe and Scandinavia, the Israeli leaders were told flatly in the past year that Israel should do its utmost to revive the moribund Jarring Mission and rely on the United Nations for its future protection. This was the gist of what Foreign Minister Abba Eban heard in three Scandinavian capitals lately. France's position is very well known.

Judging by what happened in the Security Council on Monday, Israel will have no better chances of either presenting her case or getting a fair hearing in this security conference. Most of the European nations are already committed to one or another policy, and many participating countries are strongly anti-Israel. Six of them broke diplomatic relations with Israel in 1967. In fact, none of their supports Israel's cause in full, while many see merits in the Arab case for economic and political reasons not always connected with the Arab-Israeli conflict.

It is understandable that Dr. Kreisky should raise this proposal. The smaller European countries prefer to have a European approval for their Middle Eastern policy, not wishing to stick their own necks out. The French Government will be pleased at the prospect of again demonstrating to the Arabs where its policy is headed. West Germany, having restored diplomatic ties with Egypt, will wish to apply an "even handed" policy; so will other European nations under the best of circumstances.

Having said all this, Israel will not be able to prevent such a debate from taking place and will have to launch a campaign to at least have its voice heard at this conference. But it is clear that Israel stands very little chance of getting a fair hearing at such a conference, just as it has not succeeded in getting an unbiased hearing at the United Nations. Mrs. Meir is right in doubting the wisdom of Dr. Kreisky's proposal, and if this will be the major contribution of the 1972 Socialist International conference to the solution of the Middle East crisis, then it will be a very small contribution indeed.

STERLING FLOATS DOWN TO \$2.50

LONDON (UPI). — Britain's newly floated pound fell to 2,500 dollars yesterday, a market price devaluation of 4.03 per cent from its former 2,607 dollar exchange rate and the lowest price since the dollar's devaluation.

In unofficial trading in some European centres the dollar gained ground as the pound turned lower. Trading stayed orderly but the market only handled half its normal volume of business. At one stage sterling slumped to 2,490 dollars, dealers said.

During this first trading session since Britain announced floating its currency on Friday, Chancellor of the Exchequer Anthony Barber told the House of Commons that he was drawing conclusions about the price of sterling while European markets stayed shut.

Another Treasury Minister, Terence Higgins, accused the Labour Party opposition of schizophrenia — encouraging high wage claims while at the same time complaining about inflation.

Travel firms told three million Britons who normally fly on overseas package vacations that they will have to pay more for their sunshine holidays. The first surcharge would be about 3 1/2 per cent. This could rise more if the pound slips still lower.

The price of gold fell 65 cents an ounce in London to 63.00 dollars an ounce but in the other key markets in Zurich it crept slightly higher to 63.90 dollars.

In trading between banks in Switzerland the dollar closed at 3.7575 francs against 3.7350 francs

RATES FOR TODAY

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter
The expected reopening of trade in foreign currencies failed to take place in Israel yesterday, owing to confusion in international money markets. The Bank of Israel did not publish exchange rates — but will do so today, official circles say.

The pressure of importers wanting to pay up and release their goods from port was partly satisfied. Bank Leumi, for example, released documents against a deposit in local currency at last week's exchange rate, with an explicit undertaking by the importer to make good the difference if the value of the relevant foreign currency rises.

Tourists continued to draw small sums at IL10.845, or \$2.58 to the pound sterling, though the unofficial exchange rate in Europe and North America was running lower yesterday. A good number of new arrivals expressed their satisfaction. "Some of the countries we have passed through would not look at our sterling," they said.

Dayan: Emphasis on deterrence in North

By DAVID SLAV
Jerusalem Post Reporter
KIRYAT SEMONA. — Defence Minister Moshe Dayan said here yesterday that, for the present, Israel must place emphasis on deterrent action within Lebanon rather than on increased civil defence measures for settlements along the northern border. He was speaking in the Local Council offices at a meeting of representatives of the settlements along the Lebanese frontier.

"At this stage priority must be given to the measures to be taken across the border inside Lebanon to deter the terrorists from carrying out sabotage and terror acts. These must come before the stepping up of civil defence measures in the border settlements, although this must be done too," Mr. Dayan said.

Mr. Dayan was accompanied by the O.C. Northern Command, Aluf Mordechai Gur, and two other senior general officers, Aluf Yitzhak Hoff and Aluf Yisrael Tal. They were received by Local Council Chairman Avraham Aloni, who reviewed the problems of the town, and demanded the construction of more security rooms and the speeding of damage assessment following shelling. The Chairman of the Upper Galilee District Council, Muna Hemel, said it was necessary to complete the security arrangements

Bombing error unavoidable

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
Acting Premier Yigal Alon told the Knesset yesterday that an Israel Air Force plane had made an unavoidable error, which was deeply regretted, in killing peaceful civilians in the Lebanese hill town of Hasbaya last week during operations against Arab terrorist concentrations. If the Lebanese Government agreed to negotiate over the problems involved in border tension, Mr. Alon said, the question of compensation for the families of the victims could come up for consideration.

ALLOU TO KNESSET: Bombing error unavoidable

When it became clear beyond all possible doubt that had occurred, Mr. Alon said, he considered it his duty by virtue of his position (as Acting Premier) from the moral as well as the political aspects, to state the truth about the mishap, and make public expression of Israel's great grief over the Lebanese civilians killed inadvertently. Harsh echoes had been caused in Israel and abroad by portrayals of the deaths of these Lebanese civilians, as highlighted in the world (Continued on page 2, col. 1)

36 Arab terror cells alleged in West Germany

BONN (INA). — The Palestinian terror groups operate 36 contact bases throughout West Germany, Bonn television revealed last night in a report on Palestinian and Arab clandestine activities. The passports of the three Japanese terrorists who committed the Lod airport outrage were forged in one of these Western German bases, the TV report said. The passports were then forwarded to them in Japan and they used them to leave their country to commit the mass murder. Some 500 Palestinian students who study at West German universities are members of clandestine Fatah cells. German leftist cells, the so-called "Red Cells" formed by radicals and Communists in Germany, assist the Fatah men and give them "ideological support." (See also P.F.L.P. links, on page 2)



King Hussein decorates President Amin of Uganda during meeting in Amman yesterday. (AP radiophoto)

Amin, Hussein blast Israel

AMMAN (Reuters). — King Hussein of Jordan and President Idi Amin of Uganda, in a joint communique yesterday condemned the recent Israeli "aggression" against Lebanon. They also called on the Arab world and the international community to give Lebanon their full support to safeguard its territorial integrity and independence. The joint communique was issued at the end of a surprise visit by the Ugandan leader, who arrived here on Monday and flew back to Saudi Arabia yesterday. President Amin, who held lengthy talks with King Hussein until early yesterday morning, had earlier visited Egypt and Syria. The communique said that President Amin reaffirmed the continued and complete support of the government and people of Uganda for the struggle of their Arab brothers to secure the Israeli withdrawal from all occupied Arab territories. Meymon Abedel adds: General Amin is said to have exerted efforts to conciliate relations between Egypt and Jordan, according to observers in Amman. Uganda and Jordan agreed to promote their technical, cultural and economic relations. They also decided to exchange diplomatic relations at ambassadorial level. The communique said King Hussein had awarded President Amin the Grand Sash of the High Jewelled Order of the Arab Renaissance "in appreciation of his efforts to cement Afro-Arab relations and his courageous stand in supporting the Arab case." President Amin invited King Hussein to visit Uganda and the invitation was accepted.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

The U.S. House of Representatives yesterday overwhelmingly voted against a resolution to delay the Trident nuclear submarine and S-1 bomber, which the lower Secretary Robert Clark said was a significant agreement with the Soviet Union.

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Lebanon raid condemned by U.N. Council

UNITED NATIONS. — The Security Council, with the U.S. and Panama abstaining, voted 13-0 Monday night to condemn Israeli incursions into Lebanon and call for the quickest possible release of all Syrian and Lebanese personnel captured by Israel.

Reacting to the Council's condemnation of "repeated attacks of Israeli forces on Lebanese territory," the U.S. representative, Mr. Richard Goodwin Holbrooke, said the resolution was "a landmark in the history of the United Nations."

He also said that despite previous resolutions, Israel still maintained troops on Lebanese territory, in two observation posts, which were manned about 90 per cent of the time. He called for the immediate and complete withdrawal of Israeli forces remaining on Lebanese territory.

Mr. Kenneth Jamieson of Britain said the British co-sponsored and voted for the resolution because "we consider it fairly reflects the situation which precipitated this series of meetings."

He said the resolution made clear the view of the council that the repeated attacks of Israeli forces warranted the condemnation of the Council. "We have no doubts about that," he said.

No doubts

At the same time, the resolution also "profoundly deplored all acts of violence," and there were no doubts about that either, he added.

He said his delegation could not accept that the Israeli acts were justifiable in relation to what had preceded them.

Referring to the resolution's call for the release of six Syrian and Lebanese prisoners captured by the Israelis, Mr. Jamieson said their freeing was a matter of immediate priority. But, he said, it was also high time, both on humanitarian grounds and as a contribution to a lessening of tension in the area, that there should be a general release of prisoners.

Yesterday, the Soviets called on the Security Council to adopt "a tougher resolution...stigmatising the aggressor in the most firm way," according to a Tass news agency dispatch from New York.

Tass, reporting the results of the U.N. vote, said, "The situation in the area deteriorated sharply in recent days as a result of air and ground strikes of the Israeli military on the southern part of Lebanon."

The Israeli representative immediately declared this resolution to be unilateral. "Tass" said "His speech showed that Israel intends to continue ignoring the decisions of the Security Council."

The agency said the U.S. draft resolution, which was withdrawn without a vote, "shows the bias of its positions. It showed the obvious wish of the U.S., if not to exonerate Israel, then at least to place the aggressor on a par with its victims." (UPI, Reuter)

Beirut's obligation

"Israel does not and will not release the Government of Lebanon from this obligation," Mr. Teikoah warned. "Israel had insisted in the past and will do so in the future that Lebanon abide by its obligations and will hold the Government of Lebanon responsible if it fails to do so."

Britain, France and Belgium jointly sponsored the successful resolution, which climaxed three days of debate. Lebanon and Israel both called for the Council's consideration of the situation in the area, following actions last week in which 10 Lebanese were killed.

The U.S. and Panama abstained on the resolution, on the ground that it did not treat equally the Israeli attacks and the Arab terrorist activities which preceded them.

U.S. Ambassador George Bush said the text "did not fulfil what we strongly believe is the needs of the situation."

His own rival resolution condemning acts of violence in the area without distinction and calling for an immediate cessation of all such acts, was pre-empted by the vote on the European draft and not pressed to a decision.

Tuesday night's resolution expressed the Council's "strong desire that appropriate steps" would lead to the early release of six Syrian and Lebanese officers taken by an Israeli patrol last Wednesday.

The Council also served notice that if they were not freed or if Israel failed to comply with the resolution, there would be another



Confrontation — Israeli soldier faces Lebanese farmer across the border this week. (L.P.F.A.)

Democrats approve M.E. plank

By SAM LEPSKI

WASHINGTON. — The platform committee of the Democratic Party has approved a five-point plank on the Middle East which calls for an "amply sufficient" U.S. force in the area to deter the Soviet Union, and the formal recognition of Jerusalem as the capital of Israel.

Meeting here to prepare the party's platform for submission to the presidential nominating convention in Miami next month, the committee agreed that a Democratic administration should:

- Accept a long-term public commitment to provide Israel with aircraft and other military equipment in the quantities it needs to preserve deterrent strength.
- Seek to bring the Arab states and Israel into direct negotiations aimed towards a permanent political solution based on the agreement for secure and defensible national borders.
- Maintain a political commitment and political force amply sufficient in the area to deter any resort to force by the Soviet Union.
- Recognize and support the established status of Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, and as a symbol of this status, move the American Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.
- Recognize the responsibility of the world community for a just solution to the problems of the Arab and Jewish refugees in the region.

The insertion of "Jewish refugees" in the last section of the plank was a last minute change. Although there was some opposition to the section calling for the move of the American Embassy to Jerusalem, the Middle East plank was approved with ease by the committee and is expected to be endorsed by an overwhelming vote at the convention.

The crucial question of how the American defence posture might be changed in the Middle East and the Mediterranean if front-runner Senator George McGovern is nominated and wins the election was left unresolved by the use of the vague term "amply sufficient" to cover the size of American forces in the area.

FRENCH LEFT TO ADOPT JOINT PLATFORM ON MIDDLE EAST

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — The French Socialist and Communist parties appear to have achieved a feat as spectacular as squaring a circle. In their joint platform for the forthcoming general elections they undertake to adopt the same stance towards the Middle East.

Months of haggling between the Socialist first secretary, Francois Mitterrand, and the Communists' acting secretary, General Georges Marchais, ended on Monday with agreement on a common policy document. This will be presented on July 9 to the national convention of the Socialist Party and the Communists' national conference.

The surprise, of course, is in the colourful wrapping around the package, not in the contents. The only common denominator which the two parties have found is their expression of support for the Security Council's resolution 242. The embryonic New Popular Front also voices sympathy for the fate of the Palestinian Arabs but without making any far-reaching commitments.

The limitations of the agreement between the Socialists and the Communists were to be expected. Just before his visit to Israel last winter Mr. Mitterrand publicly ranked the Palestinians as oppressed peoples in the same category as the political prisoners in Franco's Spain and the victims of the Greek colonels. The Socialist leader returned home so impressed by Israel's case that Mr. Marchais took him to task for letting himself be duped in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv.

Vagueness

But, regardless of the vagueness of the Socialist-Communist attitude towards the Middle East situation, it ought to be welcomed in Israel. For while it prevents the Socialists from publicly championing Israel — which is something they were never enthusiastic to do anyway — the joint platform will mute the hostility of the Communists.

So, if both sides stand by the agreement which has just been reached, it is unlikely that we shall read much more of the sort of uncompromising condemnation of Israel which the Communist organ "L'Humanite" published on the fifth anniversary of the Six Day War. Nobody in France takes seriously the virulent anti-Israel propaganda so fashionable only a year ago.

This is partly because the advent of a prolonged period of "cold peace" in the Middle East has pushed Israel off the front pages of the French press for several months. It made only a brief return to news prominence following the recent reprisal raids against Palestinian bases in Lebanon and Syria.

The Palestinians' only vocal allies are the Communist League, headed by Alain Krivine, son of a Paris dentist. Krivine, like most of the leadership of the league, is Jewish. At a recent farewell party here for Mamam's representatives, Ben Jal and Puder Dov, someone remarked that the league shed more tears than anyone else over the Israelis' departure, because they were the only people who took Krivine and his friends seriously.

Extreme

The extreme anti-Israeli left now has only one representative in Parliament, Michel Rocard, the leader of the United Socialist Party who won his seat, ironically enough, in a by-election against General de Gaulle's former foreign minister, Maurice Couve de Murville. Rocard is so dogmatic that nobody takes his outbursts literally, not even his own followers, who are painfully divided among themselves on whether they ought to remain a political party at all.

A year ago extreme leftwing activity against Israel was a factor to be contended with on university campuses throughout France. This is no longer so. The senselessness of the aircraft hijackings did a lot of damage to the Palestinian image in France.

Palestinian and Maoist bully-boys no longer rule the campuses, even in Grenoble, which used to be their impregnable bastion. When Ambassador Asher Ben-Natan spoke at an "Israel Week" last month, he found 50 of them sitting in front seats. But after a few tense moments and a Hebrew chorus of "We brought Peace to You," Jewish students took control of the hall without a blow being struck. Lectures about Israel



Civilians and troops push into a South Vietnamese helicopter this week as it hovers near besieged An Loc. (AP radiophoto)

President Amin treads warily with army

KAMPALA (FWF). — President Idi Amin does not want the world to know what happened to the two Americans who disappeared at the Mbarara barracks last summer or he can't control his own army. At least that's how it seems now that the commission inquiring into the two men's disappearance has been brought to an official but inconclusive end.

Nicholas Stroth and Robert Siedle visited the Mbarara barracks in south-west Uganda on July 8 last year while investigating an alleged massacre at the barracks. They were never seen again. After nine months of pressure from the U.S. Government, General Amin agreed to set up a commission of inquiry. In the course of the inquiry, a signed affidavit was received from a Ugandan army deserter now exiled in Tanzania, which appeared to implicate the two senior officers at the barracks in the 'Americans' deaths. The evidence he offered appeared damning but the officers involved refused to cooperate with the commission. After 10 frustrating weeks, the commission wound up its work without coming to any definite conclusions.

While the army may not rule Uganda, it has it in its power to choose who does, according to an FWF correspondent.

Senior professional officers. Their place was taken by men from the ranks and n.c.o. level and army discipline and morale are still not of the highest order.

The inquiry into the 'Americans' disappearance is not the only inquiry involving the army that the General has been obliged to initiate. An inquiry is supposed to be held shortly into the operations of the now defunct General Service Unit, ex-President Obote's secret service. The commissioners have already been appointed but, because this is such a hot issue, no one can say when they are likely to begin their work.

Needs goodwill

But perhaps that was only to be expected. Whatever his popularity in the country, the President needs the goodwill of the army to stay in power and can ill-afford to antagonize it.

At the same time, the army is still suffering from the after-effects of the coup which brought the General to power over 18 months ago. During and after the change-over of power it lost most of its

Import Controls

Another inquiry is already in progress, this time one of a financial nature, probing into the now bankrupt National Trading Corporation.

Lots of inquiries, very few decisions — that is the hallmark of President Amin's reign. Because no one wants or dares to challenge the President's ideas, a sort of inertia has descended on the country's administration. At the same time, civil service morale will hardly have been improved by the sackings in April, for no given reason, of almost two dozen top civil servants.

One of the few institutions which is doing its best to carry on as normal is the Central Bank. Tough import controls have been introduced to try to help the adverse balance of payments situation. As

Israel affair

Nor will potential investors in the Ugandan economy find the Israel affair very reassuring. Basically what happened was that, after receiving a good deal of aid from the Israelis in the form of technical assistance the Ugandans decided that they would prefer money instead. This the Israelis were unable to provide and so the Libyans were approached instead. Libya agreed to give Uganda the money provided that the Israelis were sent packing. And so, overnight, Israel technicians and experts were evicted on the pretext that they were involved in a plot against the President.

To date there are few visible signs that the Libyans have kept their word, but unfinished buildings, airstrips and barracks bear witness to the Israelis' hasty departure. A British team of advisers have arrived to continue training army officers, but where the Ugandans will find other experts to take the Israelis' place no one yet knows. Egypt or the U.S.S.R. perhaps?

Nevertheless, despite recent rumours of coups and counter-coups, there appears to be a great deal of solid support for the General in the country. It is perhaps not so much for what he has done but because of the feeling that if he goes, then chaos will follow. And that is something which neither the Ugandans, Asians nor the small expatriate business community wants.

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PROMOTING BETTER BUSINESS Let the seller beware!

By AARON SEITNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

"AN informed consumer is a good consumer," says Adi Horowitz, executive secretary of the Israel Better Business Bureau. He should know, since he spends all his working hours dealing with complaints from people who feel they have been cheated by unscrupulous merchants and manufacturers.



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There is also a B.B.B. in Haifa, with some 240 members. But in Jerusalem, Israel's second-largest city, there still is no branch. "We have tried to set up a B.B.B. unit in the Capital every year from 1959 till about four years ago but got nowhere. Now we have become so busy in Tel Aviv that we just don't have the time to devote to setting one up there."

To become a member of the Israel Better Business Bureau means one is sponsored by two existing members and one undertakes to abide by the Bureau's code of business ethics — to deal honestly and avoid deceptive representations of products and services, to obey all pertinent laws and regulations of the Government and to practice truth in advertising.

Membership dues range from 11.70 annually for a small workshop, to 116.50 for large national multi-branch enterprises. These fees, plus an annual grant of 116,000 from the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, pay for the operation of the Israel B.B.B., which is affiliated with the New York-based Council of Better Business Bureaus.

The Council recently allocated funds to the Israel B.B.B. to buy a telephone tape recording device, to accept consumers' complaints when the office is closed. The office, at 3 Rehov Ahuzat Bayit, across the street from the Shalom Tower, is manned by Mr. Horowitz and three assistants. The phone numbers are 57131 and 52040 — the latter operative after hours as well.

Mr. Horowitz says that the secret of B.B.B.'s success with such a limited staff is "my bank of friends." These are the hundreds of technicians and professionals in B.B.B. member firms who offer their services free to Mr. Horowitz when he investigates a complaint.

Let's take a typical complaint. A few months ago a Ramat Gan couple walked into the Kolbo Shalom department store in Tel Aviv and ordered a piece of inflexible furniture they saw on display in a store. When they unpacked it and filled it with air, they discovered it was misshapen.

The husband wrote to the store demanding a refund or exchange. Kolbo Shalom, a member of the Bureau, replied they were referring the complaint to the B.B.B. The first thing Mr. Horowitz did was call in the Israel Standards Institute. Their technicians went to the customer's home, took the settee back to the laboratory in Tel Aviv and carefully took it apart. Their examination established the deformity was due to a defect during the heat-sealing process in manufacture. Mr. Horowitz's directive to the department store read: "Replace or refund merchandise to customer, pay for the laboratory tests and forward a claim to the importer. We will back you up."

U.S. planning to put telescope in orbit

CAPE KENNEDY (UPI). — The U.S. Space Agency has decided to go ahead with detailed planning for an orbiting telescope so big that astronomers think it will be able to "see" to the edge of the universe.

The 2.5m. diameter instrument would be almost four times the size of a telescope due to be launched this summer in an orbiting astronomical observatory and much more accurate. It would be able to look at galaxies 100 times fainter than those seen by the most powerful ground-based telescopes.

Astronomers have dreamed of using such a large telescope in space where there is no atmospheric curtain to distort much of the view for ground observatories. "One such telescope in orbit could produce more astronomical data than all existing ground-based telescopes of this size and larger," Dr. John E. Naugle, Associate Space Agency Administrator, told the

U.S. congress earlier this year. Naugle said the projected orbiting telescope could increase man's understanding of the content, scale and evolution of the universe. The telescope proposed by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) would be a multi-purpose observatory able to study the planets of our solar system as well as open new frontiers in deep space astronomy.

Such a large space telescope would cost several hundred million dollars, but NASA Administrators have decided its scientific potential is worth the cost. It will be launched in 1980, according to tentative plans. The new space shuttle rocket makes the telescope even more attractive. The shuttle will carry the telescope into orbit and then return it as necessary for repairs, refurbishment and updating and return it to space for more astronomical observations.



Used car salesmen in Tel Aviv brought some of their wares with them in a demonstration this week before City Hall. They asked Mayor Yehoshua Rabinowitz to ask city police to be lenient in issuing summonses to unlicensed salesmen. The Mayor has promised to communicate with the Police Commissioner about the problem.

I.D.B. ISSUE HAS GOOD PROSPECTS

By MOSHE ATER
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

THE forthcoming share issue of I.D.B. Bankholding Corporation will be welcomed by Israel investors looking for safe equities with good growth prospects, but it must be seen against the background of the company's own requirements.

Most of the issue proceeds — 112.5m. out of the expected net amount of over 115m. — will be used for purchasing the envisaged share issue of Discount Bank, the I.D.B.'s major subsidiary, in which it controls 95 per cent of voting power.

The Corporation is thus serving as an instrument for financing the Bank's expansion. In fact, I.D.B.'s ratio of own capital to the balance sheet total is lowest among Israel's major banks. At the end of 1971, it was only 1.4 per cent (including capital notes), compared with 1.7 per cent at the Bank Hapoalim, and 2.2 per cent at the Bank Leumi. With the volume of bank activities growing rapidly (I.D.B.'s balance sheet soared 44 per cent in 1971) it was therefore sure to raise additional capital.

for repaying old capital notes falling due, leaving a net increment of 112.1m.

The share issue to be taken up by I.D.B. will bring the addition to Discount Bank's own resources to 114.6m., i.e. over 50 per cent of its own means at the beginning of 1972. Substantial though this addition is, it cannot be regarded as excessive. The Bank's volume of activity will continue to provide ample income for securing its profitability. In the past five years the Bank's profit per share (after tax) averaged 40 per cent, a multiple of the cost of the additional capital now being raised.

Integration

The rest of the issue proceeds will be used by I.D.B. "for general corporate purposes," and most of it will probably go to P.E.C., I.D.B.'s other major subsidiary, which was taken over two years ago, and is still in the process of integration. P.E.C.'s profit performance has also improved dramatically in recent years.

The shares now offered to the public, provide an ingenious combination of attractions and hedges. They will bear a preferential cumulative dividend of \$0.50, almost exactly five per cent of their issue price linked to the dollar. This is substantially more than the dividend distributed to present I.D.B. shareholders, and though the new share is offered at

a price well below the current market quotation for the old ones.

On the other hand, the shares are redeemable — at \$10 apiece — beginning April 1977. But they are convertible at par into I.D.B. ordinary shares, which may prove attractive if the Corporation's profit performance continues to improve, and may be resorted to in case of intended redemption.

The market created for the shares in the U.S. may provide an opportunity for capital gains, owing to the different standards applied to yields of securities here and abroad. The shares' issue price-earnings ratio is only 6.6, which accords with the present situation at the Tel Aviv stock exchange, although it is only half as much as the ratio prevail-

ing for a similar American security. One may understand why American investors expect special attractions from shares of foreign companies — although the impressive list of underwriters handling this issue shows the standing already achieved by I.D.B. — but should this gap narrow in the course of time with growing confidence in the Israel economy and business record, American quotations of I.D.B. shares would soar, thus affecting the local market. In fact, while the Tel Aviv tranche of the issue amounts to gross 114.6m. (underwritten by the Recanati family company), the New York tranche (underwritten by a consortium headed by Kuhn, Loeb and Co.) amounts to 112.2m.

PELE'S WIFE HATES SOCCER

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP). — The wife of Brazilian soccer star Pele hates soccer and her attitude may lead the world-famous sports idol to quit the game prematurely. Mrs. Edson Arantes Do Nascimento (Pele's real name) admitted in a magazine interview.

Rose Chelby Do Nascimento indicated in the first of a series of interviews published in this week's issue of "Manchete" magazine that she was happy Pele had already quit the Brazilian National Team and was dedicating less of his time to the sport.

"Once, when he was trying to make up his mind about leaving the Brazilian soccer selection, I asked him: 'Dico (his nickname at home), what is the purpose of being a dead millionaire,'" Mrs. Do Nascimento said.

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Conveyor system makes it much easier to gossip

By Lea Levavi
HEAVENLY SEWING
 ABOUT 60 per cent of the routine conveyor systems of work Jamshid De Bruyn — a Dutch expert on clothing technology who has been here for two years — discovered this in research he did in several European countries.

"When I would ask the girls why they preferred the conveyor system, they would answer simply: 'From Monday to Wednesday I can think about last weekend and from Wednesday to Friday I can think about next weekend.'"

The view contrasts sharply with that held by many industrial psychologists who feel that automation lowers employee morale by eliminating contact with the finished product and demoralizing jobs by making them boring and standardized.

They were en route to the Lahav Factory in Beit Shemesh where a tour, sponsored by the Productivity Institute and the factory, had been planned for the press. The



The machine (automated) that sews in sleeves demonstrated at the Lahav plant at Beit Shemesh.

side from Tel Aviv gave me an opportunity to learn more about Mr. De Bruyn's work. Originally sent here for three months by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, Mr. De Bruyn was invited to stay on and is under contract as a consultant to the Productivity Institute. He lives in Ramat Gan with his wife and two children, aged 5 and 8. "My children go to an English school but have picked up Hebrew on the streets."

His work, Mr. De Bruyn explained, is to help the Israeli clothing industry become more efficient. Sometimes changing plant layout is enough to increase production. "In many Israeli plants, machines are set up in what I call classroom style; in rows with the operators' backs to each other. They should be set up so there can be a production flow; if one operator feeds her machine from the left and the other from the right, the machines should be placed accordingly."

Equipment expensive

But sometimes the problems are more difficult. For example, in Israel manpower is cheap in comparison to expensive equipment and machinery. "There are complicated operations a machine can do better than a worker, but it's cheaper to hire workers here than to buy machinery. So it's a vicious cycle and you never can catch up to quality standards abroad."

He also finds many Israeli industrialists unwilling to listen to new ideas and in some plants, when his ideas are implemented, he does not know how long the new system will be kept, since continuing old patterns, he has found, is sometimes easier than adopting new ones — even when the new ones promise more profits. On the whole, however, he feels he has been successful and is happy to be staying another year.

When we arrived at the Lahav plant, it was soon apparent that owner Yankov Lahav is one of those industrialists who does listen and who does buy expensive machinery. He has ordered 19 automated machines, at a total cost of some 1.5 million, of which three are already in the plant.

One sews pockets automatically; another cuts cloth, and a third and

a fourth make buttonholes. The difference between these and "dinary" machines, aside from speed, is that these new machines require the operator only to press a button or to perform another routinized operation. With absenteeism at Lahav often reaching 20 per cent, these new machines will reduce production losses from workers' absence. These machines are so simple to use that any one worker can learn to use two or three at once and to replace fellow workers.

Double production

Mr. Lahav hopes that introduction of the 19 machines will double production and cut the work force from 850 (about 80 per cent women) to 500. The only serious problem he sees is a shortage of trained technicians and engineers to service the machines.

David Amir, head of the Textile Department of the Productivity Institute, added: "The skilled seamstress can make an entire garment. But today's industry doesn't require skilled seamstresses, but rather trained operators who can learn one specialized task." Because most of these jobs are held by women, with about a 60 per cent turnover, the Productivity Institute has planned an intensive training programme in which a new worker — required to have an elementary education but no sewing skills — can be trained in about six weeks.

Mr. Amir emphasized the importance of the Clothing Industry Service: a cooperative venture of the Productivity Institute, the Export Institute, government offices, the Histadrut and the industrialists. "The industrialist knows that he can come to the Productivity Institute with his problems, but it's important to emphasize that the Institute alone could not offer these services." Other fields are considering setting up similar service organizations, he added.

Hannah Shabtai, director of the Knitting and Apparel Division of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, emphasized the importance of increased mechanization and automation in keeping up with the clothing industry abroad.

In answer to questions, Mr. Lahav said beginners in his plant earn IL12.85 a day, plus premiums which can go as high as 50 per cent. This wage scale will change when the new minimum wage provision goes into effect next year. More experienced and skilled workers earn from IL17 to IL25 a day, plus premiums.

Efforts to encourage perfect attendance by paying a premium have failed. "Those girls who always came to work every day simply earn the extra premium; those who were to be absent aren't lured by the extra money."

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Bonds fashion shows to tie in with retail shops

By Catherine Rosenheimer
 Jerusalem Post Fashion Reporter
TEL AVIV.

PLANS are already under way for the 1978 25th anniversary year Israel Bonds Fashion Shows to take place, as usual, throughout the year in the U.S., covering some 50 cities. Particular emphasis, says Eilda Lebo, U.S. National Director of the Bonds Women's Division, is being laid on tie-ups with retail stores in the cities where the shows take place.

Mrs. Lebo was here last week and attended a meeting between Israeli manufacturers and designers participating in the Bonds Show collection, and the Israel Company for Fairs and Exhibitions who coordinate the whole operation here in Israel. Models for the 1978 series of shows will be selected in September from some 35 Israeli fashion houses as well as individual designers. Mrs. Lebo, who has been Women's Division Director since 1965, feels that one of her organization's main tasks is "to interest the American customer in buying Israeli fashion merchandise."

The matter of organizing stockists for merchandise seen at the Bonds shows is obviously very desirable, both from the point of view of

boosting Israel fashion exports and for the sake of the American women, who would often like to buy the clothes they see — but cannot find them in their local stores. "We are trying our best to coordinate the timing of Israel Weeks and Bonds Fashion Shows in the same cities at the same time," says Mrs. Lebo.

Meanwhile, Atara Ronel, of the Israel Company for Fairs and Exhibitions, has just returned from an intensive six-week trip to the U.S. and reports a big response on the part of department stores interested in staging Israel Weeks in conjunction with the State's 25th Anniversary: "At least 10 of the Israel Bonds Fashion Shows will take place concurrently with Israel Weeks," states Mrs. Ronel.

The fund-raising target from the 1978 Bonds drive has not yet been fixed; meanwhile, it can safely be said that Israel Bonds Fashion Shows are definitely among the most expensive in the world: admission rights are determined by the number of Bonds purchased, the minimum quantity of which ranges from \$250 in some cities to \$2,000 in Miami — "and of course nothing is given free," adds Eilda Lebo firmly: "Lunch is not included!"

Chicken specials

By Molly Lyons Bar-David

OVER the years newcomers have brought in chicken dishes from many lands. There is the Middle East Honeyed — *Jadaj Jadaj* — Chicken, the Moroccan *Poulet Marroquin* or Citron chicken, the Indian *Chicken Curry*, the Tunisian *Celestia* chicken, the American *Chicken a la King*, the Georgian *Stuffed Chicken*, the Hungarian *Chicken Paprika*, the Rumanian *Keftele*, and years ago in Israel I created the local chicken which is now in the "Time-Life" Middle East book. It is called *Tarnegolet Bemits Hadarim* — Oven Braised Chicken with Kumquats.

Oven Braised Chicken with Kumquats

One kilo chicken, cut into 6 serving pieces, salt, 1 cup fresh (or bottled) orange juice, 2 tbsps. fresh lemon juice, 4 tbsps. honey, 2 tbsps. drained, rinsed, seeded and finely chopped canned or bottled or (only 1 tsp) fresh hot chili peppers, 10 preserved kumquats, lemon or orange slices for decoration.

Preheat the oven to 375°. Pat the pieces of chicken completely dry with paper towels, sprinkle liberally with salt, and arrange them side by side in a baking dish large enough to hold them in one layer. Mix the orange juice, lemon juice and honey together and pour it over the chicken, turning the pieces about in the mixture until they are well moistened.

Rearrange the chicken pieces skin side down in the baking dish and scatter the chopped peppers over them. Bake uncovered and undisturbed in the middle of the oven for 15 minutes. Turn the pieces over, add the kumquats and baste thoroughly with the pan liquid. (If needed add more orange juice). Basting occasionally, bake the chicken 30 minutes longer, or until the leg or thigh shows up resistance when pierced with a fork. To serve, arrange the chicken and kumquats attractively on a heated platter, pour the pan juices over them and garnish with lemon or orange slices.

Rumanian Keftele

1/2 kilo chicken breasts, 5 onions, oil for frying, 12 small (or 6 large) pears cut up, water to cover, 6 beaten eggs.

American Chicken a la King

1 large chicken (almost 2 kilos), water, 1/2 cup of melted margarine (8 tbsps.), 3 tbsps. flour, 1 1/2 cups of chicken soup or water mixed with chicken soup powder, 1/2 cup white wine, 1/2 clove garlic finely chopped, dash of white pepper, mace or nutmeg, 1 large green mushroom, 2 egg yolks.

Cut up the chicken and cook in a shallow pan with water to cover for over half an hour or until the meat can be removed from the bones and diced into 2 centimetre chunks. Reduce the stock to 1 1/2 cups by boiling briskly. Melt 3 tbsps. of margarine, add the flour and when the mixture bubbles, stir in the chicken stock and wine. Flavour with the garlic, white pepper and mace or nutmeg. Dice the mushroom, and fry in 3 more tbsps. of margarine. Add to the chicken and keep hot. Put the chicken stock sauce into a blender or whip it up with an egg beater. Slowly add the remaining melted margarine and the egg yolks and blend until the mixture is white. Add this sauce to the remaining ingredients and mix carefully. Serve in patty shells.

Indian Chicken Curry

1 kilo chicken, 3 tbsps. olive oil,

5/8 cups water, 5 large chopped onions, 2 cloves chopped garlic, 4 large chopped tomatoes, 1 cup chopped celery, 2 apples peeled and cubed, 2 tbsps. sugar, 1 tsp. ground ginger, 1 or more tbsps. curry powder, 1/2 or 1 tbsps. flour, 3 cups chicken stock (or coconut milk), 8 tbsps. grated coconut (comes in packets or it can be omitted), 1/4 tbsps. salt, cayenne pepper to taste.

Cut the chicken up and fry lightly in the oil. Remove from the oil and simmer in the water until tender (about 1/2 hour). Toss the liquid as the soup stock for the curry. Fry the onions, garlic, tomatoes, celery, apples, sugar, ginger, and curry powder in the oil. Sprinkle on the flour, mix well, and add the chicken stock or coconut milk, coconut and seasonings. Add the chicken and cook 10 minutes more. Serve hot with rice.

Middle East Honeyed Chicken

Salt to taste, 1 chicken (1 1/2 kilos), 1/2 of a large lemon, 6 tbsps. margarine, 3 or 4 tbsps. honey (more if you wish if you have a sweet tooth), mint leaves for a garnish.

Salt the chicken. Rub with the lemon. Melt the margarine and mix it with the honey. Brush the chicken inside and out with the sweetener. Roast in a moderate oven and baste occasionally with more of the honey-margarine mixture. It may be readied between 1 to 1 1/2 hours. Top it with mint sprigs.

Genetic disease conference at Weizmann

Jerusalem Post Reporter
REHOVOT.

CYSTIC fibrosis and other crippling genetic diseases, which claim tens of thousands of new victims annually, most of them children, will be the subject of the first international conference on "Strategies for Genetic Diseases," opening at the Weizmann Institute of Science on Saturday evening, July 1, under the chairmanship of Prof. Joshua Lederberg, a Nobel Laureate from Stanford University.

The initial session of this Conference sponsored by the International Cystic Fibrosis (Mucoviscidosis) Association, will be chaired by Prof. Ephraim Katchalski, head of the Weizmann Institute's Biophysics Department, and addressed by Prof. Lederberg. Its meetings, continuing over the next three days, will be attended by distinguished research scientists and physicians from the U.S., Italy, Britain, Switzerland and Israel, as well as a representative of the World Health Organization. Among the participants will be Prof. Henry L. Nadler of Northwestern University Medical School, famous for his contributions to prenatal diagnosis of genetic diseases.

The Israeli organizer of the meeting is Prof. Nathan Sharon of the

Weizmann Institute's Biophysics Department. This Conference which, it is hoped, will shed light on fundamental biological processes and thus contribute to the control of genetic defects, is dedicated to the memory of Stephanie Lynn Kossoff, a gallant young lady who died in December, 1971, a victim of cystic fibrosis.

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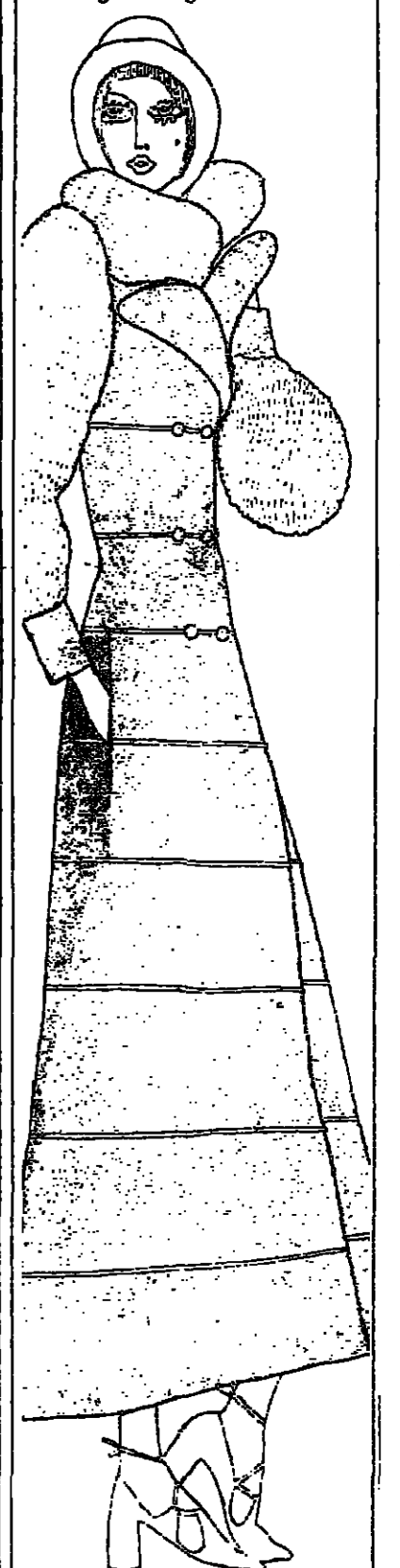
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Goren denies election deal; says will adhere to Halacha

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Chief Rabbi Shalom Goren, chairman of the Rabbinical Council, today denied a deal with Prime Minister Golda Meir to find a solution to the pressing halachic problems of elected rabbis...

beginning of the winter, when tenders will be issued. The service facilities will have 75 work stalls, enough to keep between 900 and 1,000 buses in running order...

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter
The ground breaking ceremony for the biggest and most modern Egged garage in the country took place in the Talpiot industrial zone in South Jerusalem yesterday...

West bankers now to pay for medical services

By ABRAHAM BARNOVIC
Jerusalem Post Reporter
West Bank residents, who have been receiving most of their government health services free of charge since the Six Day War, will from July 1 pay fees as they did under Jordanian rule...

Peres: 'Aliya is our main front'

Israel's true front is the immigration front, and we need an efficient economy, not a war economy, Communications Minister Shimon Peres said yesterday...

Israeli one of 4 Montreal slaying victims

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Alexander (Sender) Nimitzovitz, 54, a captain in the Israel Defence Forces Reserves, was one of the four persons murdered in Montreal during an armed robbery of his restaurant there on Saturday night...

Knesset action deferred on 'Little Wall'

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
The Knesset Interior Committee yesterday agreed to comply with Acting Prime Minister Yigal Allon's request to recommend that the Arab house at the 'Little Wall' be repaired and the families be permitted to return...

W. Bank doctors ordered to stop moonlighting

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Public-health doctors in Judea and Samaria were warned yesterday to stop practicing privately on the side or face severe disciplinary action...

Dr. Fridan declared that most of the West Bank doctors were earning more than he was even though his salary as a civil-servant doctor was second only to that of the Director-General of the Health Ministry...

Insurance rates up for scooters, motorcycles

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Insurance premiums for motorcycles and scooters will be raised by 23 per cent next month, it was learned yesterday...



In yesterday's events in the Eishon Lezion 90th-birthday celebrations, two young men march in a parade in the contingent of the Carmel-Mitzrahi wine cellars, personifying the company's emblem, which is based on verse 23 of Numbers, Chapter 13. Stretched across the road behind them is a banner proclaiming: "Wine maketh one's heart glad."

Ludwig Jesselson heads Bar-Ilan U. Board of Trustees

Mr. Ludwig Jesselson, the New York industrialist and philanthropist, has been elected Acting Chairman of Bar-Ilan University's Board of Trustees. He succeeds Mr. Philip Stollman...

THE NEGOTIATION UNIVERSITY in Haifa was yesterday authorized by the Council for Higher Education to grant Bachelor of Arts degrees to students graduating from its natural science and technology faculties...

Israel shoemen complain of shoddy treatment

TEL AVIV. — The shoe manufacturing industry is threatened with a crisis as a result of wild competition from Arab manufacturers, importation of poor-quality shoes, unbridled increases in taxes and lack of assistance in exporting and marketing abroad, according to the Shoe Manufacturers' Association...

Education officials totally in the dark, T.A. pupils say

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
Officials at the Ministry of Education and Culture are divorced from all reality, have no idea what is going on in the country's schools, and do not understand the needs of the pupils. These charges were leveled by a delegation of pupils from Tel Aviv who met with members of the Knesset Education Committee yesterday...

Knesset finance body discusses state guarantees

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
The Knesset Finance Committee yesterday discussed a proposal that a Government guarantee of \$20,000,000 be given to Perclase Dead Sea, Ltd. for capital expansion at the plant. The Committee members in general did not oppose such a guarantee, but expressed reservations about the high interest rate of nine per cent...

U.S. lawyer asked to help Soviet Jews facing trial

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Mr. Richard Maass, Chairman of the American National Conference on Soviet Jewry, said a prominent American lawyer, whose name he would not divulge, had been asked by the Conference to try and provide legal counsel for Jews facing trial in the Soviet Union...

WALL STREET Stocks slightly lower

NEW YORK. — The Stock Market closed narrowly lower in light trading yesterday, after having been moderately higher in early trading following the Common Market decision to support the Smithsonian accord and maintain the dollar and other currencies within set fluctuation bands...

TEL AVIV STOCKS MARKET FIRMS IN MODERATE TRADING

Jerusalem Post Financial Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Share prices firmed yesterday on moderate demand. Turnover on the Stock Market was \$11,439,600, of which \$1,736,300 were in the variables. The general index rose by 0.64 per cent, to stand at 237.81...

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